

REMARKS

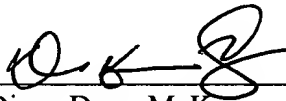
The Office Action dated April 23, 2004, has been carefully considered. Claim 43 cancelled. Claims 1-11, 14-24, 26-33 and 36-42, 44 and 45 are in this application.

The drawings were objected as missing Fig. 7B. Proposed Fig. 7B is submitted herewith. Support for Fig. 7B can be found throughout the specification, and in particular, on page 6, lines 20-26. No new matter has been added.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and request that all claims be allowed. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned should he believe that this would expedite prosecution of this application. It is believed that no fee is required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2165.

Respectfully submitted,

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